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1002	2002	340	165	Design filing fee	
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Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
41	21	18	218
Independent 7	4	88	344
Claims			
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1202	2202	18	9	Claims in excess of 20	
1201	2201	86	42	Independent claims in excess of 3	
1203	2203	290	140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
1204	2204	86	42	**Reissue independent claims over original patent	
1205	2205	18	9	**Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	

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1053	2053	130	130	Non-English Specification	
1812	2812	2,520		For filing a request for reexamination	
1804	2804	920*		Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	2805	1,840*		Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	2251	110	55	Extension for reply within first month	
1252	2252	420	205	Extension for reply within second month	
1253	2253	950	485	Extension for reply within third month	
1254	2254	1,480	725	Extension for reply within fourth month	
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1401	2401	330	160	Notice of Appeal	
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1403	2403	280	140	Request for oral hearing	
1451	2451	1,510		Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	2452	110	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453	2453	1,330	650	Petition to revive - unintentional	
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1502	2502	480	235	Design issue fee	
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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Following the discussion between Applicants' representative and Examiner Pantuck regarding various prior art references on July 29, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this document.